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SUBJECT: AGENDA FOR DECEMBER DPC MINISTERIAL

AMEMBASSY LONDON-PLEASE PASS TO DASD HARRY BERGOLD

REF:A. USNATO 6404

B. USNATO 6345

C. USNATO 6300

D. USNATO 6231

E. STATE 244206

BEGIN SUMMARY: IS HAS CIRCULATED REVISED DRAFT AGENDA FOR DECEMBER DPC MINISTERIAL IN FORM OF A PO FROM ACTING SYG PANSAL (PO/74/153, QUOTED BELOW). PERMREPS WILL TAKE FINAL DECISION ON DRAFT DPC AGENDA ON NOVEMBER 21 (REF B). WE RECOMMEND MISSION SUPPORT IDEA OF COMMENCING SECOND DAY OF AGENDA WITH A RESTRICTED SESSION AT WHICH MINISTERS COULD RAISE ANY SUBJECT THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE; RESTRICTED SESSION COULD LEAD INTO AGENDA ITEM ON MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON VIEWS BY OPENING OF BUSINESS ON NOVEMBER 21 AND IF CONFIDENTIAL

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POSSIBLE, LIST OF SUBJECTS SECRETARY SCHLESINGER MIGHT RAISE IN RESTRICTED SESSION. END SUMMARY.

1. QUOTED BELOW IS PO/74/153. BEGIN TEXT:

ATTACHED IS A DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE SCHEDULED FOR 10TH AND 11TH DECEMBER, 1974.

2. IN CONSIDERING THE STRUCTURE OF THE MEETING, I BELIEVE WE NEED TO CONSIDER:

A. WHETHER THERE SHOULD BE A RESTRICTED SESSION AND , IF SO, AT WHAT POINT OF THE AGENDA IT SHOULD BE HELD AND WHAT SUBJECTS MIGHT BE DISCUSSED;

B. AT WHAT POINT ON THE AGENDA THE IMPORTANT DISCUSSION ON MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE SHOULD APPEAR. (IN THE DRAFT ATTACHED IT APPEARS AS THE FIRST AND ONLY SUBSTANTIAL ITEM ON THE SECOND DAY; SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE, HOWEVER, THAT IT SHOULD BE DUSCUSSED AT AN EARLIER STAGE);

C. STARTING TIMES FOR THE TWO DAYS DISCUSSIONS.

3. I HAVE PLACED THE DRAFT ON THE AGENDA OF OUR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, 21NOVEMBER, 1974.

MEETING OF THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE IN MINISTERIAL SESSION TO BE HELD AT THE NATO HEADQUARTERS, 1110 BRUSSELS, ON TUESDAY, 10 DECEMBER, 1974--- AM AND ON WEDNESDAY, 11 DECEMBER, 1974 AT --AM

AGENDA

I. STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE

II. STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROGROUP

III. SUMMARY APPRAISAL BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL
DOCUMENT: DPC/D(74)

IV. NATO FORCE PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD 1975-1979
REFS: DPC/D(71)10
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DOCUMENTS: DPC/D(74)21, GENERAL REPORT
(WITH COUNTRY CHAPTERS AND STATISTICAL ANNEXES)

V. STATUS REPORTS

A. SPECIALISATION/RATIONALISATION OF DEFENCE TASKS
REFS: DPC/D(74)15, PARA 6
DPC/D74)13

DOCUMENT: DPC/D(74)

B. STANDARDISATION
DOCUMENT: DPC/D(74)..)

C. ALLIANCES DEFENCE INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY
REF: DPC/D(74)15, PARA 10(E)
DOCUMENT: (PO/74/..) OR (DPC/D(74)..)

MISSION COMMENT: WE ARE ADVISED BY IS (DEFENSE SUPPORT DIVISION) THAT STANDARDIZATION ITEM SHOULD NOT BE IN BRACKETS, BUT THAT ITEM ON ALLIANCES DEFENSE INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY SHOULD BE DELETED SINCE IN IS VIEW THERE IS NOTHING NEW TO REPORT.
END COMMENT.

CONTINUE TEXT:

D. FLEXIBILITY

REFS: DPC-VR(74)15, PARAS 8-29 AND ANNEX C THERETO

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DOCUMENT: DPC/D(74).. (REPORT BY SACEUR)

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E. ORGANIZATION, COMMAND AND CONTROL OF TACTICAL AIR FORCES IN THE CENTRAL REGION

REFERENCES: DPC/D(73)35, PARAGRAPH 8

DPC/D(73)33

DPC/D(74)15, PARAGRAPH 7

MCM-32-74

DOCUMENT: /MCM-74/ OR /DPC/D(74).. /

VI. INFRASTRUCTURE

A. NEXT 5-YEAR NATO COMMON INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME
(SLICES XXVI-XXX)

REFERENCES: DPC/D(74)8(REVISED)

DPC/D(74)15, PARAGRAPH 8

DOCUMENT: DPC/D(74)27

B. NICS PRODUCTION-SHARING
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REFERENCE: PO/74/149
DOCUMENT: DPC/D(74)28

VII. MUTUAL AND BALANCED FORCE REDUCTIONS

REFERENCE: DPC/D(74)15, PARAGRAPH 9

TO BE RAISED ORALLY BY THE CHAIRMAN

VIII. MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE

REFERENCES: DPC/D(74)15, PARAGRAPH 3(J)
DPC/D(74)10
MCM-18-74

DOCUMENT: PO/74/..

IX. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

X. COMMUNIQUE
END TEXT.

2. REGARDING QUESTIONS POSED BY PO ON A) RESTRICTED
SESSION AND B) AT WHAT POINT
MINISTERS SHOULD DISCUSS MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE, WE NOTE DURING
DRC DISCUSSIONS OF DRAFT AGENDA (REFS C AND D) THERE WAS SOME
OPPOSITION TO A RESTRICTED SESSION AND A CONSENSUS BEGAN TO
EMERGE IN FAVOR OF BEGINNING SECOND DAY WITH MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE.
HENCE WE RECOMMEND THAT DURING NOVEMBER 21 DPC PERMREPS CONSIDERATION
OF DRAFT AGENDA MISSION SUPPORT APPARENT EMERGING CONSENSUS TO
HOLD MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE ITEM ON SECOND AY, BUT THAT WE URGE

THAT IT BE PRECEDED BY A RESTRICTED SESSION IN WHICH MINISTERS
COULD ADDRESS ANY APPROPRIATE SUBJECTS THEY MAY WISH TO RAISE.
IN OUR VIEW, NO MATTER HOW FAR DPC GETS ON FIRST DAY AGENDA ITEMS,
SECOND AYD SHOULD START AFRESH WITH RESTRICTED SESSION. OUR
SUPPORT FOR RESTRICTED SESSION ON SECOND AY IS BASED PARTLY
ON RECOMMENDATION IN REF A TO DEAL WITH SUBSTANTIVE NUCLEAR
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ISSUES IN NDAC ON DECEMBER 10 PRIOR TO DPC, WHICH WOULD TAKE

UP MOST OF THE MORNING OF THE FIRST DAY. REGARDING US SUBJECTS FOR RESTRICTED SESSION, WE ASSUME SECRETARY SCHLESINGER WILL WISH TO COVER THE NON-NUCLEAR ASPECTS OF THE NUNN AMENDMENT, TO INCLUDE US PLANS TO AUGMENT COMBAT FORCES IN EUROPE. HE MAY ALSO WISH TO ADDRESS SOME ASPECTS OF MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE IN RESTRICTED SESSION.

3. DECISION ON COMPOSITION AND TIMING OF HOW AND WHEN NATO WILL DISCUSS NUCLEAR ISSUES (REFA) OBVIOUSLY WILL IMPINGE ON THIRD QUESTION IN PO: STARTING TIMES FOR DPC DISCUSSIONS.

4. IS HAS INFORMED MISSION THAT BECAUSE OF DRC OPPOSITION TO INCLUSION OF INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING (REFS C AND D), ASYG HUMPHREYS DECIDED AFTER NOVEMBER 12 DRC MEETING NOT TO LIST THE INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING. SINCE OUR INSTRUCTIONS (REF E) ARE NOT TO INSIST ON INCLUSION OF INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING, WE DO NOT INTED TO QUESTION ITS EXCLUSION.
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